

REGIONAL OVERVIEW OF SOUTH ASIA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia held a hearing on A Regional Overview of South Asia. Testimony was heard from Robert O. Blake, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs, Department of State.

ACCOUNTABILITY, TRANSPARENCY AND UNIFORMITY IN CORPORATE DEFERRED AND NON-PROSECUTION AGREEMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on Accountability, Transparency, and Uniformity in Corporate Deferred and Non-Prosecution Agreements. Testimony was heard from Representatives Pallone and Pascrell; Eileen Larence, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, GAO; Gary Grindler, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Christopher J. Christie, former U.S. Attorney, District of New Jersey; Chuck Rosenberg, former U.S. Attorney, Eastern District of Virginia; and a public witness.

INDIAN HEALTH CARE IMPROVEMENT ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Natural Resources: Held a hearing on H.R. 2708, Indian Health Care Improvement Act Amendments of 2009. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Indian Health Services, Department of Health and Human Services: Yvette Roubideaux, Director; and Randy Grinnell, Deputy Director; and public witnesses.

BANK OF AMERICA AND MERRILL LYNCH—PRIVATE DEAL TO FEDERAL BAILOUT

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and the Subcommittee on Domestic Policy continued joint hearings entitled “Bank of America and Merrill Lynch: How Did a Private Deal Turn Into a Federal Bailout?, Part II .” Testimony was heard from Ben Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE MILITARY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs held a hearing entitled “Sexual Assault in the Military, Part 3: Context and Causes. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE “AMERICAN CLEAN ENERGY AND SECURITY ACT OF 2009”

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 7 to 3, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2454, the “American Clean Energy and Secu-

rity Act of 2009.” The rule provides for three hours of debate with two and one half hours to be equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce and 30 minutes to be equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that, in lieu of the amendment recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of H.R. 2998, modified by the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report, shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives all points of order against the bill, as amended. The rule provides that the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule makes in order the further amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part B of the report of the Committee on Rules, if offered by Representative Forbes of Virginia or his designee, which shall be in order without intervention of any point of order except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI, shall be considered as read, and shall be separately debatable for 30 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Waxman, Representatives Markey of Massachusetts, Inslee, Perlmutter, Chairman Peterson of Minnesota, Representatives Abercrombie, Bowell, Kucinich, Carnahan, Lipinski, Giffords, Richardson, Foster, Maffei, Barton, Upton, Stearns, Blackburn, Burgess, Scalise, Rohrabacher, Manzullo, Inglis, Bilbray, Garret of New Jersey, Chaffetz and Roe of Tennessee.

SCIENCE OF SECURITY: LESSONS LEARNED

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight held a hearing on The Science of Security: Lessons Learned in Developing, Testing and Operating Advanced Radiation Monitors. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: William Hagan, Acting Deputy Director, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office; and Todd C. Owen, Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Gene Aloise, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO; and Micah Lowenthal, Division on Earth and Life Studies, Nuclear and Radiation Studies Board, National Research Council, National Academy of Sciences.